

Federal Maritime Commission

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of the Commission's regulations, accompanied by an explanation of the reasons for rejection.

(2) The authorities contained in paragraphs (a)(1)(iii) and (a)(1)(iv) of this section are redelegated to the Director, Office of Transportation Intermediaries, in the Bureau of Consumer Complaints and Licensing.

(b) Authority to:

(1) Approve applications for Certificates (Performance) and Certificates (Casualty) for passenger vessels, evidenced by a surety bond, guaranty or insurance policy, or combination thereof; and issue, reissue, or amend such Certificates;

(2) Issue a written notice to an applicant stating intent to deny an application for a Certificate (Performance) and/or (Casualty), indicating the reason therefor, and advising applicant of the time for requesting a hearing as provided for under § 540.26(c) of this chapter; deny any application where the applicant has not submitted a timely request for a hearing; and rescind such notices and grant extensions of the time within which a request for hearing may be filed;

(3) Issue a written notice to a certificant stating that the Commission intends to revoke, suspend, or modify a Certificate (Performance) and/or (Casualty), indicating the reason therefor, and advising of the time for requesting a hearing as provided for under § 540.26(c) of this chapter; revoke, suspend or modify a Certificate (Performance) and/or (Casualty) where the certificant has not submitted a timely request for hearing; and rescind such notices and grant extensions of time within which a request for hearing may be filed;

(4) Revoke a Certificate (Performance) and/or (Casualty) which has expired, and/or upon request of, or acquiescence by, the certificant; and

(5) Notify a certificant when a Certificate (Performance) and/or (Casualty) has become null and void in accordance with §§ 540.8(a) and 540.26(a) of this chapter.

(c) Authority to approve amendments to escrow agreements filed under § 540.5(b) when such amendments are for the purpose of changing names of principals, changing the vessels cov-

ered by the escrow agreement, changing the escrow agent, and changing the amount of funds held in escrow, provided that the changes in amount of funds results in an amount of coverage that complies with the requirements in the introductory text of § 540.5.

§ 501.28 Delegation to the Director, Bureau of Enforcement.

The authorities listed in this section are delegated to the Director, Bureau of Enforcement. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 501.21, the Director may delegate or redelegate, in writing, specific authority to individuals within the Bureau of Enforcement other than the Deputy Director.

(a) Authority to compromise civil penalty claims has been delegated to the Director, Bureau of Enforcement, by § 502.604(g) of this chapter. This delegation shall include the authority to compromise issues relating to the retention, suspension or revocation of ocean transportation intermediary licenses.

(b) Authority to approve administrative leave for Area Representatives.

Subpart D—Public Requests for Information

§ 501.41 Public requests for information and decisions.

(a) *General.* Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(a)(1)(A), there is hereby stated and published for the guidance of the public the established places at which, the officers from whom, and the methods whereby, the public may secure information, make submittals or requests, or obtain decisions, principally by contacting by telephone, in writing, or in person, either the Secretary of the Commission at the Federal Maritime Commission, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., Washington, DC 20573, or the Area Representatives listed in paragraph (d) of this section. See also Part 503 of this chapter.

(b) The *Secretary* will provide information and decisions, and will accept and respond to requests, relating to the program activities of the Office of the Secretary and of the Commission, generally. Unless otherwise provided in this chapter, any document, report, or other submission required to be filed